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In re application of:

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POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC
ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 30, 2006 (Paper No./Mail Date 20061018), in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 within the two month date set for the response, thereby requiring issuance of an advisory action.

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